## GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Public Services - Revenue Department - Sri V. Venkataramanappa, formerly MRO, Putlur Mandal, Ananthapur District (now retired) - Allegation of corruption - Trapped on 8.4.96 - Charge Sheet filed - Convicted - Imposition of withholding of full pension & gratuity - Orders Issued - Criminal Appeal filed - Allowed - Set aside - SLP Filed - APAT orders - Sanction of provisional pension - Orders - Issued.

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## REVENUE (VIGILANCE.II) DEPARTMENT

## G.O.Rt.No. 1013

<u>Dated:22.07.2009</u> Read the following:-

- 1. From the DG, ACB Lr.Rc.No.54/RCT-ATP/96, dt.9.4.1997.
- 2. G.O.Ms.No.656, Rev (Ser.II) Deptt., dt.4.8.97.
- 3. Judgment dt.27.12.2001 in CC No.19/1997 of Addl.Spl.Judge for SPE & ACB Cases, Hyderabad.
- 4. G.O.Ms.No.832, Rev (Vig.II) Deptt., dt.28.7.2003.
- 5. Judgment dt.31.10.2008 of the Hon'ble High Court in Crl.Appeal No.116/2002 filed by Sri V.Venkataramanappa, MRO (retd).
- 6. From the DG, ACB Lr.Rc.No.54/RCT-ATP/1996-S14, dt.16.3.2009.
- 7. Govt.Memo.No.13442/Vig.II(2)/2009-1, dt.29.4.2009.
- 8. Interim orders dt.1.7.2009 of the APAT O.A.No.7180/2009 filed by Sri V.Venkataramanappa, MRO (Retired).
- 9. From the DG, ACB Lr.Rc.No.54/RCT-ATP/1996-S14, dt.15.7.2009.

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## ORDER:-

Sri V.Venkataramanappa, while working as Mandal Revenue Officer, Putlur, Ananthapur District was trapped by the Anti Corruption Bureau authorities on 8.4.1996 on the allegation of demanding and accepting bribe Rs.500/- from Sri A.Sreepathi Naidu for doing official favour in issuing Pattedar Pass Book. He was charge sheeted in a court of law. In the reference 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, the Addl.Special Judge for Special Police Establishment and Anti Corruption Bureau Cases, Hyderabad has pronounced judgment on 27.12.2001 in CC No.19/1997, finding the AO Sri V.Venkataramanappa, MRO guilty of the charges and convicted him for the charges.

- 2. Further, he was retired from service on 31.12.2001 on attaining the age of superannuation, Government have examined the matter keeping in view of his conviction, have imposed a punishment of withholding of entire pension and gratuity full permanently against Sri V.Venkataramanappa, MRO (now retired) under rule 9 of APRP Rules, 1980 vide reference 4<sup>th</sup> read above.
- 3. In the reference  $5^{th}$  read above, the Hon'ble High Court of AP in its order dt.31.10.2008 allowed the Criminal Appeal No.116/2002 filed by Sri V.Venkataramanappa, MRO (Retd) and set aside the conviction and sentences imposed against him by the ACB Court in CC No.19/1997 and acquitted.
- 4. In the reference 6<sup>th</sup> read above, the DG, ACB has stated that the standing counsel of the Bureau has opined that this is a fit case to file SLP before the Supreme Court of India and requested to file SLP against the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court. Government have examined the matter and permission was accorded to the Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad to file Special Leave Petition before the Supreme Court of India against the High Court judgment dt.31.10.2008 vide reference 7<sup>th</sup> read above. Accordingly, the Investigating Officer of the Bureau handed over all the records to the Special Officer, Advocate on Record to file SLP in the Supreme Court of India, New Delhi.

- 5. In the reference 8<sup>th</sup> read above, the Hon'ble APAT while admitting the O.A.No.7198/2009 filed by Sri V.Venkatamanappa, MRO (Retired) has issued interim orders dt.1.7.2009 in the said O.A.No.7198/2009 directed to pay provisional pension to the applicant from the date of retirement till date and continue to pay the same.
- 6. Government after careful examination of the entire matter keeping in view of the interim orders of the Hon'ble APAT, hereby accord sanction for payment of provisional pension to Sri V.Venkataramanappa, MRO (Retd) to an extent of 75% (seventy five percent only) on the superannuation pension, subject to outcome of the Special Leave Petition filed before the Supreme Court of India.
- 7. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad is requested to take immediate necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ASUTOSH MISHRA
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri V. Venkataramanappa, MRO (Retd),

AP Housing Board, 1st Phase, Ananthapur.

The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, AP, Hyderabad.

The District Collector, Ananthapur.

The Accountant General, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

Copy to:-

The Government Pleader for Revenue (S), AP Administrative Tribunal, Hyderabad With a request to appraise the position to the Hon'ble APAT, Hyderabad. Sf/Sc.

// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER.